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11 August 1958

**Memorandum for: Honorable Richard Russell, Chairman
Senate Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**

**Subject: Proposed Negotiated Disposal of Surplus
Radio Equipment**

Reference is made to the letter of 5 August 1958 from Senator John L. McClellan, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Government Operations, to you concerning the proposed negotiated sale of surplus electrical and radio equipment. At the request of the Central Intelligence Agency, the General Services Administration has agreed to make available to Radio Liberation two of the eight 500 kw transmitters declared surplus by the United States Information Agency in 1954.

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An identical memorandum is being transmitted on this date to Senator Green, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. For your information we have had prepared a background statement relating to the establishment of Radio Liberation and its objectives. That statement indicates that the United States Information Agency specifically participated and concurred in the recommendation of the Operations Coordinating Board for the "private" purchase of these two transmitters.

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In view of the letter to you from Senator McClellan, this Agency would appreciate the assistance and cooperation of the Committee on Armed Services in advising the Senate Committee on Government Operations that your Committee has approved the sale of this property. If further information is desired we shall be pleased to supply it to your Committee upon request.

SIGNED

John S. Warner
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Enclosure

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